

IN THE CLAIMS

Add new claim 39 as follows

1-35. (Canceled).

36. (Previously Presented) A method for cleaning an oxygen line, comprising the steps of:

connecting a pump having a pump inlet and a pump outlet to pump inlet and pump outlet connection devices, respectively, within a portable unit;

connecting a cleaning medium filter having a filter inlet and a filter outlet to filter inlet and filter outlet connection devices, respectively, within said portable unit;

connecting the pump inlet connection device to a reservoir of a silicated alkaline cleaning medium;

connecting a first part of an oxygen line to be cleaned to the pump outlet connection device;

connecting a second part of an oxygen line to be cleaned to the filter inlet connection device;

connecting the filter outlet connection device to the reservoir of the silicated alkaline cleaning medium; and

driving the pump to circulate the silicated alkaline cleaner from the reservoir through the oxygen line to be cleaned, through the filter and back to the reservoir.

37. (Previously Presented) A method of cleaning an oxygen line according to claim 36, further including rinsing the oxygen line to be cleaned, by performing the following steps:

connecting a rinse medium filter having a rinse medium filter inlet and a rinse medium filter outlet to rinse medium filter inlet and rinse medium filter outlet connection devices, respectively, within said portable unit; and

connecting the pump inlet connection device to a reservoir of a rinse medium;

connecting a first part of an oxygen line to the pump outlet connection device;

connecting a second part of an oxygen line to the rinse medium filter inlet connection device;

connecting the rinse medium filter outlet connection device to the reservoir of the rinse medium; and

driving the pump to circulate the rinse medium from the rinse medium reservoir through the oxygen line, through the rinse medium filter and back to the reservoir.

38. (Previously Presented) A method of cleaning an oxygen line according to claim 36, further including the step of connecting said pump to an air inlet connection device

within said unit, said pump being an air powered pump, and in said step of driving said pump, supplying air through said air inlet connection device to drive said pump.

39. (New) A method of cleaning an oxygen line according to claim 37, further including providing distilled water as the rinse medium.